

Bulletin Sentence: Mark 1:13 – “And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.” God the Father cares for Jesus even in the midst of his temptation in the wilds. God cares for us in every situation as well. Jesus realized this and always acted from the basis of trust in God the Father’s provision. This is likewise the basis for our life lived in Christ: God cares for us, so we need not act out of fear or greed.

Harold Endline: The Harold Endline Memorial Fund was established at the request of Harold’s family as a tribute to his lifelong commitment to Zion Lutheran Church. On an annual basis, groups of Zion or individual members of the church may make requests to utilize money within this fund for various ministry areas of the church or school. Requests will be reviewed by Harold’s family and the church council. The Harold Endline Memorial request form can be picked up in the office during the month of February. All request forms are due back to the office by February 28th, which was Harold’s birthday.

Church Attendance February 10, 11 & 14, 2018
Saturday: 93 (78) Sunday: 139 (C107) Wednesday: 143 (C127)

Offerings February 10 & 11, 2018 \$ 9,903.93
(Weekly need is \$11,420.00)

Those serving this weekend:

Organist: L. Engelhardt

Alter Guild for February: Laura Diehl 989-662-4565

Sat: ELDERS: Dean Kohn and Dennis Hyatt
USHERS: Don & Kathy Hilbrandt and Evan & Amy Bickham

Sun: ELDERS: Terry Wirsing and Gary Koch
USHERS: Landen Murphy, Joey, Autumn & Steve Wiedyk

Wed: ELDERS: Pat Morand and Herb Leinberger
USHERS: Cameron Koch, Hudson Gerstacker, Sophia Steelmon and John Olson

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Welcome

I was glad when they said to me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.

February 17 & 18, 2018

Psalm 122:1

The mission of Zion Lutheran
is to better know & show Christ’s love.

Worship Whys: Why is this season called Lent? The name for this season originally was simply a word meaning spring. It became associated with the 40 days given to spiritual disciplines prior to Easter. The forty days was to be a time to remember Jesus' fast in the wilderness following his baptism when he resisted the temptations of Satan. In remembrance of his sacrifice, the season became associated with fasts of various kinds and also other disciplines like almsgiving and prayer.

Large Print Bulletins are available from an usher and may be helpful to our guests, making it easier to follow the service without using a hymnal.

Children’s bulletins are also available from an usher.

Zion’s Web Site: www.zionbeaver.com The website contains the most recent church newsletter, and information about activities at Zion.

Our Focus today, the First Sunday in Lent, is on trials, temptations and God's gifts. What are trials and tests? What are temptations? Where do they come from? Does God tempt us? What does God give us?

This week at Zion

Sun	18	Worship 9 AM Family Bible Hour 10:15 AM Jr. Confirmation Class 6-8 PM
Mon	19	Adult choir practice 7PM
Wed	21	Ladies Bible Class 9 AM Quilting 10 AM Lenten dinner and Chili Cook off 5:30 PM Lenten service with SOAR 7PM
Sat	24	Adult Bible Class 5:45 PM
Sun	25	Worship w/Communion Worship w/Communion Family Bible Hour 10:15 AM Jr. Confirmation Class 6-8 PM

Retable Flowers: are given in thanksgiving to our Lord for His many blessings from the Ladies of Zion.

Pastor's Bible Class: On Saturday nights at 5:45 in the sanctuary, the pastors are going through the small catechism. On Sunday mornings at 10:15 they are looking at the new explanation of the catechism.

Discussion Bible Class led by LeRoy Engelhardt will continue their study of *(The Lutheran Difference)*. They will meet in the conference room after Sunday service at 10:15 a.m.

In Sunday School today the children will learn the story of Peter and Cornelius (Acts 10) and how the Good News comes to us as it did to them. Talk about how in church we receive the Good News that, although we are judged unrighteous and deserving of death, God mercifully declares us holy, righteous, and innocent because of Christ. *"What does this mean for our daily lives?"* is a good question to discuss as a family.

This week's Lenten dinner is our chili cook-off. There are sign up sheets in the narthex where you can sign up to be a helper, bring dessert or assist with clean up on each of the Wednesday Lenten Suppers.

Silent Witnesses Lenten Devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries are available in the narthex in both small and large print.

School Chapel: Zion Lutheran School has chapel every Wednesday morning at 8:05 in the church. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Tri-City Community Good Friday Worship Service – The Tri-City Good Friday Worship Service will be held on March 30, 2018 at the Horizon's Conference Center at 6200 State Street in Saginaw Township at 1:00 p.m. The Reverend Dr. Lawrence R. Rast, Jr. will be the guest speaker. He is president of Concordia Theological Seminary at Fort Wayne, Indiana. In order to underwrite the cost of this service, we are seeking support from congregation members as we have done in the past. If you would like to donate, please contact your congregation representative, Ardith Chapman, 662-6426, or use one of the Tri-City Good Friday Service envelopes located in the narthex or one of the "designated" envelopes that is in your envelope box. Please be sure to mark "Good Friday Service" on it. Checks should be made out to "Good Friday Service." Thank you for any support you can give, and invite your relatives, friends and unchurched acquaintances to join us.

Chili Cook off!

Grace Lutheran Church, Auburn has challenged us to a Chili Showdown! The Chili Cook off will be held on Sunday March 11th at Grace beginning at 3pm. But first we must hold our own cook off to determine Zion's top 3 chili makers! This competition will be held during our Wednesday Lenten meal this week February 21st at 5:30 pm. If you are interested in participating, make at least 2 quarts of chili for the meal. If your chili is voted a winner you would then make a large pot or crock pot for the competition at Grace on March 11th. There will be a \$5.00 registration fee per chili at Grace. This is a fundraiser. Proceeds will go to Saginaw Zone Lutheran Layman League to support local broadcasts of The Lutheran Hour and camp Lu Lay Lea. If you want to participate or have any questions, please contact Emily McMenemy 989-513-1849.

Voters meeting schedule for 2018: Sunday, March 11, —Sunday, June 10, - Sunday, September 16—and Sunday, December 9.

New Member class: Pastor Hemme will be teaching the basics of the Christian faith as taught in Luther's Small Catechism. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a member please join us. If you are already a member but would simply like to have a refresher in the teachings of our church we'd love to have you. As always, there is no commitment to join Zion Lutheran after the class is finished. New member class begins on March 18th at 10:15 a.m. in the cafeteria. If you are interested, or have any questions, please let one of the pastors know.

Thrivent Choice Dollars: if you have choice dollars from Thrivent the deadline for 2017 dollars to be directed is March 31, 2018. Since the 31st is on Saturday and they are closed on Good Friday, the deadline for calling them in is March 29; the deadline to direct online is March 31.